

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 373

By Hood

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dora Rucker on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Dora Rucker is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for fourteen years as a Democratic member of the Rutherford County Election Commission; and

WHEREAS, born on November 11, 1911, Ms. Rucker joined the Rutherford County Election Commission in April of 1993; during her tenure, which covered a period of tremendous growth in Rutherford County, she provided no small amount of direction, judgment, knowledge, and leadership to the other members of the Commission and to the citizens of Rutherford County; and

WHEREAS, at the age of eighty-two, Dora Rucker joined the Commission and, during her fourteen years of service, provided support and guidance in twenty-nine municipal elections, thirteen primary elections, seven county general elections, four state elections, three presidential elections, and three referendum elections, a remarkable achievement which will continue to serve as an inspiration to the Commission for years to come; and

WHEREAS, her attendance at the Tennessee Association of County Election Officials annual seminar at the age of ninety-five garnered her the distinction of serving as the seminar's senior member attendee; and

WHEREAS, Dora Rucker exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, she has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Dora Rucker our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement, our deepest gratitude in recognition of her sterling service to the voters of Rutherford County, and our hopes for every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.